

STATE FEDERATION MEETS IN NORFOLK

A Large Delegation Going From This City To-morrow Night.

A large number of delegates will leave here Monday night for Norfolk to attend the ninth annual convention of the State Federation of Labor, which meets at Central Labor Hall, Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

These conventions are growing larger and more important year by year, and are occasions when discussion of topics of importance to the labor element result in great good.

The Gladstone Hotel has been fixed upon as the headquarters of the convention. Special rates have been made on the railroads.

President Daniel McCallum, of Richmond will preside, and the following Richmond delegates will attend: Messrs. L. W. Blakey, M. R. Pace, T. V. Rudd, L. C. Perkins, John J. Powell, J. H. Bradley, J. N. Kaufman, Philip Metz, H. S. Campbell, John Schackel, W. E. Phenix, R. P. Dollard, E. F. Woodward, D. A. Lacy, George Woodard and John O. Harris.

From the other cities of the State large delegations will go, and it is believed that the sessions will be the best attended for years.

A GREAT LECTURE.

Dr. Taylor Analyses Whiskey, Beer and Wine.

The third of the series of lectures by Rev. E. O. Taylor, A. M., D. D., on American citizenship, was delivered at Seventh Street Christian Church to one of the largest audiences that have greeted the distinguished lecturer. The interest manifested was intense and it was the unanimous opinion that this series of lectures is the finest that it has been Richmond's good fortune to have for many a day.

Dr. Taylor deals with the drink question from a scientific standpoint. He is scientifically exact in his conclusion, and makes the matter plain to the layman. The doctor elaborated the following points in discussing the characteristics of alcohol as a poison:

It is a deadly, slow poison. In that it has no property by which to build up any part of the healthy man's body, but has property by which to break down the body, and, if taken in sufficient dose, will end in death.

It is a double poison—narcotic and insistent. It first deceives, then ruins. The man who takes a "bracer" and thinks he feels better deceives himself. Alcohol in his whiskey has narcotized the nerves of sensation in his stomach so they cannot transmit messages of trouble up to the brain, but the "goneeness" is there just the same. You cannot go by your sensation in the use of any narcotic drug. If it is a narcotic, let it alone. It is cumulative, demanding a constant increase of the dose in order to satisfy, which process is not a food, for all true food satisfy. It is a universal poison. It kills all power of life above the yeast microbes—vegetable and animal life alike.

He illustrated their point in an amusing way. He said a drunken grasshopper will come to stand on its head just like a drunken man. A few drops of alcohol injected into the mouth of a snake

killed it in six minutes. But it kills men. This country lost 2,000 brave soldiers here in our war with Spain, and the President thought the number so unnecessarily large that he appointed a commission to investigate the conduct of the War Department. But during the same period, outside of the army we lost 70,000 men from drink, for which nobody calls for an investigation, and yet these men were as specifically and physiologically killed by alcohol as any soldier boy was ever killed by bullet. Alcohol poisons the brain. It takes the brain best, because of the large percent of albumen composing the brain substance. The doctor here told how alcohol weakens the memory faculty and overstimulates the imagination and confuses ideas—depressing the judgment, conscience, reflection and will. A drunken man becomes more and more to act under impulse and less and less under judgment and will. Dr. Taylor said this was the most serious statement that can be made by any man on the temperance question to-day, for it comes in a scientific way, for the harpist wrought his drink. He depicted this point very interestingly.

To-night Dr. Taylor will lecture in the Seventh Street Christian Church on "Christian Citizenship in the Light of Christ and Paul."

FEDERAL CIRCUIT COURT.

Spring Term of the Appellate Tribunal Begins Tuesday.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals will convene in this city on Tuesday next to hold its May term. Circuit Judge Goff and District Judges Morris and Purnell will be in attendance. It is also probable that Judge J. C. Pritchard, lately appointed circuit judge to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of the Hon. Charles H. Simonson, will be present during the session.

There are sixteen cases on the docket awaiting decision, and it is likely that a large number of opinions will be handed down in these cases on the first day and during the May term. The argument docket is also large for the spring term, there being some twenty-six cases ready for argument, in most of which counsel have signified their intention of arguing during the term. There are also two cases which petitions for rehearing are pending, and one case to be certified to the Supreme Court of the United States on questions or propositions of law.

The officers in the clerk's office are now busy making preparations for the meeting of the court and filing the large number of briefs which are being received in the respective cases. The docket, which has just been printed, contains thirty-three printed pages. It contains the number and title of all the cases pending, whether for opinion or argument, and also a list of the attorneys and their addresses in the respective cases, which is quite a convenience to the court and members of the bar.

This circuit comprises the States of Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Entertained Pleasure Club.

Miss Annie Harvard, assisted by Miss Ruby Watkins, entertained the Mutual Pleasure Club at her home, No. 509 North Twenty-third Street, on Thursday night last. Music and games were indulged in up to a late hour, after which refreshments were served. Those present were:

Misses Josie, Maggie and Mary Gill, Ruth Briar, Blanche Terry, Lula and Inez Bernard, Ethel and Hettie Franklin, Jessie Waters, Lottie Watkins, Mary, Bessie and Lillie Howard, Messrs. E. Franklin, H. Lyle, C. and H. Jones, A.

Leonard, L. Gill, W. Kidd, G. Blankenship, A. West, T. Shiveles, B. Lumsford, Shattery, J. Haynes, B. Daniels, G. Palmer, J. Howie and B. Rainey. Chaplains were: Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Howard and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Bass.

Married in Philadelphia.

The marriage of Miss Emma A. Schmidt and Mr. Alfred D. Smith, both of this city, took place in Philadelphia April 29th, at the residence of the bride's uncle, Mr. Harry Zischel. Little Miss Beatrice Underkofer acted as flower girl. Mr. William Bevan, of Wilmington, Del., was best man. The wedding march was beautifully rendered by little Miss Ethel Zischel and Master Leo Underkofer.

After spending several days in Wilmington, Del., and Washington, the bridal couple returned to this city and are at home to their friends at No. 706 North Fifth Street.

Celebrate Anniversary.

The 7th anniversary of Grace Street Baptist Sunday school will be celebrated with appropriate exercises on next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the church. Dr. William E. Hatcher will deliver the address of the evening. A large chorus choir, which has been trained by Mrs. E. Cosby, will render several selections, and Mr. Geo. C. Tupman, the prominent tenor, will be the soloist. An exercise entitled "The King's Crowning" will be by the children of the primary department, which is an essential feature of the programme. At the close of these exercises the Sunday school will hold an informal reception in the lecture room where they will be glad to meet the members of the church and congregation.

The Men's Meeting.

Dr. Taylor's lectures at the Seventh Street Christian Church have attracted a good deal of attention, and large crowds have been to hear him. The men of the city will be glad to know that he will address a special meeting for men only in the hall of the Central Young Men's Christian Association, this afternoon at 8:30 o'clock. Dr. Taylor's theme will be, "Alcohol vs. Brains," and the talk will be illustrated with chemical experiments.

Methodist on Baptism.

The Rev. Dr. Henry E. Johnson, pastor of Laurel Street Methodist Church, will on request of several of his members, preach a sermon to-night on baptism, taking for his theme, "The Nature and Design of Christian Baptism." At the morning service he will discuss "God Estimates Religion by Its Quality, Not by Its Quantity."

Pick-Ups Won.

The Little Pick-Ups defeated the Rison's Hitters with a score of 9 to 0 Saturday afternoon in Reid's field.

The line-up for the Little Pick-Ups is as follows: Captain, Charlie Pearman; catcher, Allen Hancock; pitcher, Charlie Pearman; short-stop, Charlie Hiter; first base, Edwin Kasterer; second base, Willie Bryant; third base, Gordon Hancock; left field, Lamar Tyree; center field, Louis Kracke; right field, Stanley Carter.

Mr. Duffey to Sing Here.

Mr. J. H. Duffey, of New York city, is here on a visit to friends. Mr. Duffey possesses a rich baritone voice and is a member of St. Bartholomew Church Quartette in New York. By special request he will sing with the Grace Street Presbyterian choir at the morning service to-day.

CHARGE OF USURY NOT SUSTAINED

The Commercial Guarantee Company Wins Its Suit in the Civil Court.

Justice Crutchfield found for the plaintiff in the suit of the Commercial Guarantee Company against Mrs. M. I. Andrews, in the civil hearing yesterday.

The suit was for a balance of \$20 on a loan, upon which a deed of trust on a lot of furniture, had been given, and several notes signed, covering a loan of \$50 less the costs, which reduced it to \$25.

A large amount of evidence was introduced and the hearing was stretched to great length.

The defense introduced evidence intended to show that the charges on the loan were usurious and unusual, and in such instance that of the sum of \$5.75 for "services," was disallowed by Justice Crutchfield in the opinion he gave, awarding to the company the sum of \$10.

During the hearing it was shown by the defense that a certain payment on the amount owed by Mrs. Andrews was credited to the account of her son. This was looked upon as a clerical error and not a questionable transaction, and in the wind up this error was referred to and allowance was made for it on behalf of the defense.

Witnesses were introduced by the company. In rebutting the charge of usury, to show that the charges were not excessive, Mrs. C. W. Clemmitt, H. H. Carpen and Ed Oxenhan were put on the stand to show the integrity of the officers of the company; against Mrs. Andrews and as to the "reasonableness" of the charges.

The fees charged on the loan of \$50 were: For writing deed, \$5; recording the deed, \$2.50; notary's signature, \$1; interest on the loan, 15 cents, and other services, \$5.75.

The result of the case is an acquittal of the charge of usury, the payment of costs in the suit by Mrs. Andrews and the recovery of \$10 by the company, Mrs. Andrews may appeal.

WEATHER OF MAY.

Records of the Leafy Month for Six Years Compiled.

The following data, covering a period of six years, have been compiled from the Weather Bureau records at Richmond, Va. They are issued to show the conditions that have prevailed during the month in question for the above period of years, but must not be construed as a forecast of the weather conditions for the coming month.

Month of May, for six years: TEMPERATURE.

Mean or normal temperature, 67 degrees.

The warmest month was that of 1903, with an average of 68 degrees.

The coldest month was that of 1901, with an average of 66 degrees.

The highest temperature was 94 degrees, on May 15, 1900.

The lowest temperature was 40 degrees, on May 9, 1903.

The earliest date on which first "killing" frost occurred in autumn, October 18th.

Average date on which first "killing" frost occurred in autumn, November 6th.

Average date on which first "killing" frost occurred in spring, March 25th. The latest date on which last "killing" frost occurred in spring, April 18th. PRECIPITATION (Rain or melted snow). Average for the month, 3.27 inches. Average number of days with .01 of an inch or more, 14. The greatest monthly precipitation was 5.23 inches, in 1898.

The least monthly precipitation was 2.14 inches, in 1899.

The greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any twenty-four consecutive hours was 2.03 inches, on May 30 and 31, 1902.

The greatest amount of snowfall recorded in any twenty-four consecutive hours (record extending to winter of 1884-'85 only) was 8 inches on —.

CLOUDS AND WEATHER. Average number of clear days, 10; partly cloudy days, 10; cloudy days, 11.

WIND. The prevailing winds have been from the north.

The average hourly velocity of the wind is 6.6 miles.

The highest velocity of the wind was 28 miles from the west, on May 29, 1899.

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FINE OFFICER.

Street Cleaners' Association Are Ready for Their Entertainment.

The concert to be given by the Relief Association of the Street Cleaners' Department, at Belvidere Hall next Thursday night, promises to be a great success.

Those who are to take part in the entertainment are: Mrs. Jennie Yeamans, Misses Mattie Sneed, Mary Manning, Pattie Isaacs, Willie Smoot, Messrs. J. Audley Morton, Columbus Camper, Henry Rueger, A. W. Martinstein, John Sales and Miss Davis.

This list is a guarantee that the affair will be a success. The entertainment is under the charge of Mr. J. Louis Sullivan.

Tea to be Given.

There will be a tea given next Friday evening, May 6th, from 5 to 10 P. M. for the benefit of the "Lapley," at Mrs. W. T. Hargraves, No. 14 South Third Street. A very attractive programme has been arranged.

Observe New Service.

The new order of service recently adopted by the two branches of the Methodist Church, namely: North and South, will be observed in the Park Place Church to-day, both morning and night.

HUSBAND AND WIFE DIE FROM ASPHYXIA

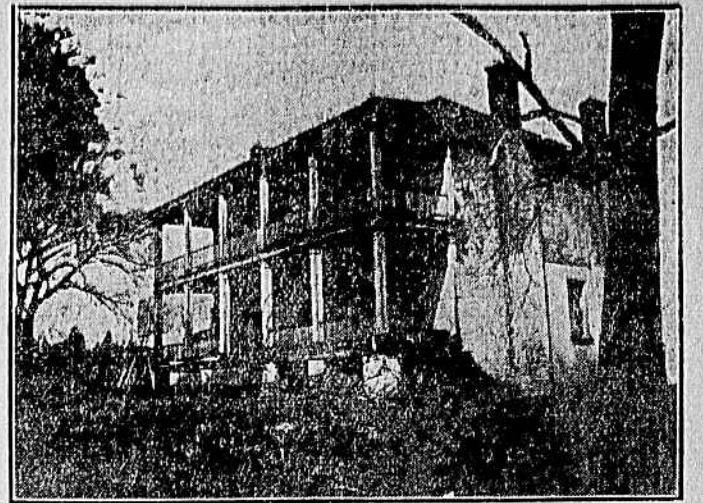
(By Associated Press.) TOLEDO, O., April 30.—John W. Martin and wife were found dead in their bed as a result of asphyxiation from illuminating gas. It is believed to be a case of double suicide, as Martin is found short in his accounts in the city water works office, where he had been employed for twelve years as a bookkeeper.

Both Martin and his wife were prominent in lodge circles, and the man's downfall is believed to have been caused by policy, racing, bets and speculation beyond his means.

Gone to Rescue Caesar.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 30.—Rear Admiral Barker, commanding the North Atlantic fleet, has informed the Navy Department that he has sent the Nevada, Castine and Osceola from Pensacola to the assistance of the collier Caesar, aground off Tortugas.

"SHRUBBERY HILL"



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One of the most handsomely built, and most historic colonial residences in Virginia is "Shrubbery Hill" in Hanover county, the birthplace and residence of Rev. Nathaniel Crenshaw, and Rev. John Bacon Crenshaw, two of the most noted of Quaker preachers.

"Shrubbery Hill" was built more than a century ago, but with a few exceptions it is in as good condition now as when first constructed.

The building is four stories in height; is of brick with granite trimmings, and is crowned by a slate roof of the ancient Dutch type. Most of the floors are of solid walnut, while a window of rare stained glass adorns the long double veranda.

The veranda is 60 by 50 feet, and contains 23 spacious rooms besides a number of niches and closets.

The brick and most of the other material of which it is constructed was brought here from England.

The residence has an ideal situation on a rounding knoll which slopes down to a small swift run.

The front and rear lawns are shaded by an almost endless variety of forest and ornamental lawn trees, interspersed by shrubs and perennial flowers.

The object of the first owner was to have in the lawn a tree and shrub of every variety. It was, no doubt, from this that the place received its appropriate name.

Rev. Nathaniel Crenshaw and J. B. Crenshaw resided at this place during their pastorate of "Cedar Creek" one of the colonial churches in Hanover county.

It is said that Rev. Nat. Crenshaw conducted the first Sunday School ever organized in Hanover.

The "Shrubbery Hill" farm was originally a very large one, its southern boundary is South Anna River.

It passed out of the hands of the Crenshaw family many years ago, and has since changed hands a number of times, at present it is owned and occupied by Mr. Jacob S. Groh, formerly of Buffalo, N. Y., who has the same faith as its early owners.

The Crenshaw burying ground is a

CUPID GAINS FOUR

DAYS ON THE LAW

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., April 30.—Cupid scored another triumph to-day when Christen Thompson and Karen Gertzen, of New York, were married. The young lady came here a week ago, but lacked ten days of being of age. The groom sent to New York and, to-day received word of consent of the girl's parents, and the wedding took place, Cupid thus gaining four days on the law.

RUN DOWN BY LOOSE

CARS AT POCAHONTAS

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BLUEFIELD, W. VA., April 30.—Thos. J. Dennen, Jr., son of Thomas Dennen, assistant superintendent of the Pocahontas Mines, at Pocahontas, while trying to prevent a smash-up of loose cars on the Pocahontas yard to-day, was run down by the cars and met with a fractured skull and one leg mashed off. The young man will likely die.

Heard Subterranean Noises.

(By Associated Press.)

AUGUSTA, GA., April 30.—A special to the Chronicle from Batesburg, S. C., tells of subterranean noises like the roar of a distant rain heard there yesterday morning. There was no shaking or moving of the earth. The noises were distinctly heard by many reliable people, and seemed to come right up from under the feet.

Mr. Julien Binford remains critically ill at his residence, No. 312 East Franklin Street.

What Shall I Eat?

I need the carbohydrates to make flesh and supply my body with heat and energy.
I need albumen and phosphate of potash to restore wasted brain and nerve matter.
I know that working and thinking consumes energy and brain and I know this waste must be rebuilt by food. The field grains contain these elements I know but most people, like myself, absolutely cannot digest the large percentage of starch in grains and trouble follows.

What Shall I Eat?

A few minutes spent in Studying the subject proves that all these questions have been scientifically answered in

GRAPE-NUTS

This food is so perfect the weakest stomach can digest and assimilate it. It contains more nutriment that the body can make use of than 10 times as much meat, wheat, oats or bread.

Most all field grains are heavy with nourishment but not in the form for human use.

Grape-Nuts is only entire wheat and barley and salt, but scientific processes requiring many hours treatment have made all the grains ready for any stomach. (The starches are all converted into Grape-Sugar, in other words.)

Practically pre-digested (although not chemically treated) all this natural nutriment is ready as soon as it goes into the stomach for immediate absorption into blood, muscle, heat, energy, etc., and to to make the delicate gray matter in nerve and brain.

THE PROOF

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THERE'S A REASON

You would do well to

THINK IT OVER.